

39/65. The power supply module as claimed in claim 26/52, further comprising evaluation electronics for monitoring said detector element; and wherein said least one switching element is electrically actuatable by said evaluation electronics. --

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REMARKS

Applicant wishes to thank the Examiner for the very thorough consideration given the present application and for indicating that all claims were found to be patentable over the prior art. The Examiner's Office Action of **September 6, 2000** has been received and its contents carefully noted, and the above actions taken to address those formal matters standing in the way of allowance of this application.

Claims 1-26 were pending in this application prior to the aforementioned amendment. Claims 1-26 have been canceled and claims 27-65 have been added to overcome the 35 U.S.C. 112, second paragraph rejection. Accordingly, claims 27-65 are now pending in this application and are believed to be in condition for allowance for the reasons stated below.

Paragraph 1 of the Office Action objects to the specification for containing an informality. In response thereto, pages 5, 7 and 13 have been amended to include the recited U.S. Patent number for the application referred to on those pages.

Paragraphs 2 of the Office Action rejects claims 1-26 under 35 U.S.C. 112, second paragraph as being indefinite for failing to particularly point out and distinctly claim the subject matter which Applicant regards as his invention. Paragraph 3 stated that claims 1-26 would be allowable if rewritten or amended to overcome the 35 U.S.C. 112, second paragraph rejection. In response thereto, Applicant has canceled claims 1-26 and added claims 27-65 to overcome the 35 U.S.C. 112, second paragraph rejection. Claims 27-51 are related to an implantable device comprised of a power supply module and a main module while claims 52-65 are related to the power supply module itself. Moreover, the

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location and relationship of the battery and detector element relative to the modules have been clarified and the switching element positively recited.

Accordingly, Applicant respectfully submits that claims 27-65 are now in proper condition for allowance and reconsideration and withdrawal of the pending rejection and objection are requested. If the Examiner believes further discussions with applicant's representative would be beneficial in this case, he is invited to contact the undersigned.

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